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THE Ministry of Education's Public Council for Arts and Culture has announced a plan to "grade" RATING FOR actors and ISRAEL'S ARTISTS. The intention is to counter the "negative influences" of a certain type of actor by selecting actors "worthy of official encouragement" and by giving ratings accordingly. This scheme seems to us to be as impossible to put into practice in Israel as it is dubious in principle. Most people will agree that something should be done to help the Hebrew theatre, but official gradings seem to involve more evils than poor plays can ever cause.

The artist, almost by definition, must be unfettered by considerations of patronage; we have seen the appalling effects in some countries of regimentation of the arts, while the dismal state of television in the United States is the reverse side of the coin, an indication of what happens when a cultural medium is hampered to businessmen. It will be a sad day either when an Israeli artist is instructed to decline a Nobel Prize or when an actor is driven to despair by a drop in his State "Hooper" rating. Life in Israel is notable for the atmosphere of freedom and individualism; no increase in efficiency on the stage justifies limiting this through the power of a Council that must end up as an instrument of bureaucracy.

It is only fair to the Hebrew theatre and literature to point out that these arts have particular difficulties in this country, from which music, painting and the graphic arts are free. The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and the country's painters use universal media of expression; they are understood by audiences in Paris and New York as well as in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. The artists concerned simply carry on a cultural tradition they brought with them from the Diaspora. The arts which are dependent on the Hebrew language need writers, actors and audience deeply versed in the magic of words. Hebrew has succeeded in establishing itself as the country's lingua franca, but the culture it expresses on the stage is still a young one and its nuances are not fully understood by the spectators.

These arts need time and help, which can be bought for them. All should be given in the form of liberal scholarships, grants and subsidies. It may be contended that this would require decisions of a Board and might thus create the same evils as a grading system. But further reflection shows that the positions are not parallel: a Board giving financial aid unconditionally might pay the piper but it would not call the tune.

In America, aid for culture comes from the Foundations, and, in England, from the Arts Council; they select their beneficiaries with care, but do not dream of attempting to influence the artists. The financial help that is necessary to free our art from seeking success with second-rate "box-office" attractions can only come from the Government, since ours is a Welfare State. But the essence of such a State, as compared to a totalitarian regime, is that thought must be free and untrammeled. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the proposed plan will end in subsidies rather than ratings.

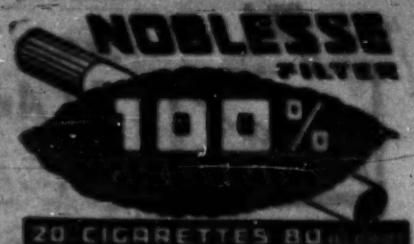
The same announcement by the Ministry of Education spokesman mentioned proposals by the "Public Etiquette Section." Remembering the violent arguments, abuse and near-brawls that took place when a jury of artists under Mr. Ardon selected paintings and sculptures for an exhibition in Paris a few months ago, we wonder how much "public etiquette" will be displayed when the actors come before the Council for grading. We fear that the right hand of the Ministry of Education may make the work of the left hand difficult in the extreme.

AFTER MIDNIGHT  
Wednesday, Dec. 1, last night saw one of the most tragic events in the history of the Hebrew stage, when a plane carrying nine of the leading artists caught fire and is presumed to have crashed into the ground.

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## Mobutu Warns UAR On Aiding Lumumba

LEOPOLDVILLE (Reuter). — Colonel Joseph Mobutu, the Congolese Army chief, declared yesterday he was ready to block two important tributaries of the Nile if Egypt and the Sudan supplied aid to a separate regime in Stanleyville.

"As a last resort I am ready to turn my whole army into boulders to cut the waters of the Nile," he told reporters.

He told reporters that pro-Lumumba rebels in Stanleyville are surrounded by loyal troops and would be liquidated before any supply lines through the Sudan could be organized.

Col. Mobutu ridiculed the secessionist threats of the Stanleyville provincial regime as "empty words I prefer to ignore."

Stanleyville, capital of Oriental Province, is held by a company of military police under command of Lt.-Col. Patrice Lumumba.

It is ruled by a triumvirate comprising former Deputy Premier Antoine Girosa, former Secretary Bernard Salumu, and Mr. Lumumba's younger brother, Louis.

**Communications Cut**

They have cut off communications with the rest of the Congo and have threatened to declare Oriental Province an independent state following Mr. Lumumba's arrest.

Despite Col. Mobutu's evident suspicion, reporters from Egyptian Province said rebel military police units from the Stanleyville area early yesterday attacked three Equator border villages inhabited by members of Col. Mobutu's Bumba tribe.

The raid was clearly a reprisal for Mr. Lumumba's arrest.

(Reuter, AP, UPI)

## Ghana Severs Belgium Ties; UAR Spurns Brussels Protest

Ghana yesterday severed diplomatic relations with Belgium, and gave the Belgian Ambassador in Accra 48 hours to leave the country. An official statement by Ghana's Foreign Minister Ako Adjei said the Government had Belgian responsible for recent developments in the Congo.

### Disarm Mobutu, Moscow Demands

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The Soviet Government, in a statement broadcast by Radio Moscow late last night called for the immediate release of Mr. Patrice Lumumba and the disarmament by the UN forces in the Congo of "Mobutu's gang."

The Belgian Foreign Ministry, in a statement issued in Brussels, compared the two developments and said they "represent an admission of the political failure" of Ghana and the UAR, who seem to be incapable of agreeing to restrict their authority to their own frontiers.

The Ghana announcement said diplomatic relations have been broken off because of the Belgian Government's responsibility for the breakdown in the administration of the legitimate government and parliament of Congo, of which Mr. Patrice Lumumba is Prime Minister.

Belgium's envoy, M. Gerald Walvarens, told reporters in Accra he was "very surprised, I had no advance warning of this but I welcome it." He was present for some time and was never present at breaking point last July 26.

Last month, Ghana's senior diplomat in the Congo, Charge d'Affaires Nathaniel Welbeck, was expelled from the Congo.

Last week, the UAR requested Belgian assets in the country, among them banking interests and the companies controlling the famous Sheppards and Standard Steel, after the UAR Ambassador was also recalled. Cairo press has blamed Belgium for the envoy's expulsion.

The Belgian Ambassador in Cairo, M. Maurice Evrard d'Eckhoutte, had been trying for three days to hand a strong protest to Foreign Minister Mahmud Wazir or his deputy, but was unable to obtain an appointment until yesterday, when he saw Dr. Spiro for a "tenor" seven minutes.

(Reuter)

### Japan Without Cabinet As Diet Seeks Speaker

TOKYO (AP). — Election of a new Japanese Prime Minister by Parliament ran into a snag yesterday due to a last-minute wrangle over the choice of a House Speaker, and the election was postponed to today.

Earlier in the day, Prime Minister Hayato Ikeda, and his Cabinet resigned in a gesture of protest by law to allow the newly elected lower house to name the new Head of Government.

(Reuter)

With deep sorrow we announce the death of my dear husband, our father and our uncle Dr. Shmuel Spiro in his 78th year.

The funeral cortège will leave the Medical Academy (Bait Harofe), Rehovot Street corner Hananiv, Jerusalem, at 12:30 p.m. today, Tuesday, December 6, 1960.

The mourners: Gitta Spiro (nee Neumann), Gideon and Johnny Spiro and the family.

The Jewish Agency for Israel, Department for Child and Youth Immigration, announces with deep sorrow the death of a former Director of the Medical Services of Youth Aliya.

Dr. Shmuel Spiro

The funeral will proceed from Bait Harofe, corner of Rehovot Street and Hananiv, at 12:30 today, Tuesday, December 6, 1960.

## Lao Asks U.S. to Halt Arms Aid to Phoumi Rebels

VIENTIANE.—Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma yesterday disclosed he has formally asked the U.S. to stop supplying arms and ammunition to rebel forces threatening to topple his neutralist Government.

The formal written demand, presented to the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Winthrop Brown, could possibly force the U.S. to choose between Prince Souvanna's Government and General Phoumi's right-wing resistance which is making a major military offensive against this Lao capital.

The Premier charged that the U.S. has delivered no arms or ammunition to his Government since it came to power following the August 2 coup which overthrew the pro-American Government in Laos.

He said that currently he is also receiving no U.S. financial aid.

He told newsmen he had no objection to continued American supplies of medicine, rice and other non-military goods to the forces opposing his Government — "but not arms."

(Officer Truce)

Prince Souvanna also announced that he has offered Gen. Phoumi an immediate ceasefire.

After a major battle, the biggest and most intense of the conflict civil war has been raging since last Tuesday along the Mekong River, 150 km east of Vientiane, between Government forces and Phoumi rebel units.

The Prime Minister said he had received no reply so far from the U.S. or the Phoumi forces.

Prince Souvanna has asked the U.S. informally in the past to stop supporting Gen. Phoumi, but yesterday's official note is the first formal demand.

Because of the present situation, the premier said he had decided not to lead a pro-Soviet mission to India to examine the Chinese and North Vietnamese Delegates.

— who was Secretary of the three services. Those services would, however, be retained as separate entities in the defence establishment. A total of 32 offices would be abolished.

Mr. Edward Kennedy, a brother of the President-Elect, and two Senators arrived in Libreville, Congo, yesterday to meet Dr. Sébastien Senghor, Minister of Territories in African Jean-Jacques Sarr, medical student and President of the Students' National Movement; and Jean-Claude Perrin, right-hand man of Ortia.

The Senators were Mr. Frank Church and Mr. Frank Moss both Democrats.

(A.J.C. APPEAL)

NEW YORK (Reuter). — The American Jewish Congress on Sunday urged President-Elect John Kennedy to appoint a Secretary of State who "would work to reduce Middle East tensions and 'to sympathize with the aspirations of the non-white peoples in the U.S. and abroad.'

Diplomatic activity intensified in Jerusalem yesterday in connection with the formulation of the final Western draft resolution on the Arab refugee question, which is expected to be voted on the U.S. Special Political Committee following the conclusion of its discussion on this issue.

The American Ambassador, Mr. Ogden Reid, and the British Ambassador, Mr. Patrick Hancock, separately to the Committee's session on the grounds that Algeria is a "veritable war" — a vast generalized guerrilla operation, instead of a so-called "pacification" action.

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(Joint African Command)

ACCRA (Reuter). — Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia said yesterday after talks with President Kwame Nkrumah that he was prepared to give "urgent consideration" to Dr. Nkrumah's proposal for the establishment of a joint African high command.

He spoke at a reception at the headquarters of the Ethiopian mission here a few hours after flying in with the avowed aim of giving King Haile Selassie a wedding present. The King is to marry Fabiola de Mora y Aragon, daughter of a Spanish nobleman, December 13.

Belgian authorities denied that Mr. Spiro's visit has any political or official character.

This was announced in a joint communiqué issued by the Emperor left by him for a three-day visit to Liberia after a five-day stay in Ghana. At Roberts Field in Liberia, he was greeted by President William Tolbert and Robert, son of Mr. Spiro, who had not accompanied his father's delegation.

Robert, who had not been present at Mr. Spiro's arrival, was welcomed by Princess Alice, Dr. Wold, and other high-ranking officials. From Liberia he is to proceed to Brazil.

So far, he said, he has been paid 4,000 marks (40,000) by Spiro's family.

(London, AP, UPI)

## No Painless Solution To Rhodesia-Nyasaland Problem

LONDON (Reuter). — Prime Minister Harold Macmillan told delegates to the five-government conference on the Central African Federation yesterday that the British Government had "no simple or painless solution" to the crucial issues confronting them.

Mr. Macmillan, who opened the six-day meeting, said: "Let me assure you that the differences, even the dangers, of this meeting."

The future of the Federation of Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland — to be considered in the context of all Africa and the concern of the whole free world, he said. "If we are to serve Africa well we must keep our hands in the middle of this ferment around us."

Dr. Hastings Banda, Nyasaland's African nationalist leader, who briefly refused admittance when invited to present his views, quietly went to Dr. Macmillan's audience and entered his conference room. "I forgot my ticket," Dr. Banda said.

Mr. Macmillan welcomed more than 70 delegates with whom he addressed the problem

## Lagaillarde's Flight Seen Signal For New Algeria Colon Uprising

### Four Other Accused Jump Bail New Violent Blow Feared

PARIS (Reuter). — Pierre Laguillaire and four of his co-defendants in the "Algiers Plot" trial failed to appear when the Military Court hearing resumed here yesterday.

Mr. Jean Gallot, counsel for the 20-year-old Laguillaire, told reporters that he was awakened by an anonymous telephone call yesterday telling him Laguillaire had gone to Spain to join General Raoul Salan.

(General Salan recently said he was a son of his from his marriage to his anti-Gaullist wife.)

The report was submitted to Mr. Gallot by members of a committee which the President-Elect set up to plan streamlining of the vast Defense Department.

Sen. Symington told a news conference after conferring with Mr. Kennedy that in his opinion his committee's recommendations would cut U.S. military spending by about 50 per cent, and would, annually. But he said, the savings would hardly have to be plowed back into such things as new weapons development and an armament programme.

The plan of Sen. Symington — who was Secretary of the Air Force in the Truman administration — also would eliminate the U.S. Secretary of Defense and the Assistant Secretary — all 20 posts of the three services.

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But there was still no official confirmation that Laguillaire — recently granted provisional liberty after 10 months in jail awaiting trial — had in fact left France.

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**HUMIDITY:** 80%.

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**TEMPERATURE RANGE:** C) 10°-15°.

**WIND DIRECTION:** West-Northwest.

**WIND VELOCITY:** Force 2.

**WIND DURATION:** 10 hours.

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# Eichmann Tells Story of Infamous Transaction Proposal THE 'JEWS FOR TRUCKS' DEAL

Following is an extract from the second of the two stories just published by "Life" magazine in New York by Adolf Eichmann.

It was in 1944, the year of the assassination attempt on Hitler, when Reichs-undresser General of the Reserve Army, that he authorized me to propose an exchange: one million Jews for 10,000 winterized trucks with trailers. The world Jewish organization could decide for itself what Jews it wanted to choose. We asked only that they get us 10,000 trucks. Thanks to Himmler's directive, I could assure them on my word of honor, that these trucks would be used only on the Eastern front. As I said at the time, "When the 10,000 winterized trucks with trailers are here, then the liquidation machine in Auschwitz will be stopped."

In obedience to Himmler's directive I now concentrated on negotiations with the Jewish political officials in Budapest. One man stood out among them, Dr. Rudolph Kastner, authorized representative of the Zionist movement. This Dr. Kastner was a young man about my age, an iron-cold lawyer and a fanatical Zionist. He agreed to help keep the Jews from resisting deportation — and even keep order in the collection camps. I could find no exceptions to the mass deportations. So the Jewish officials turned to the German occupation authorities. They realized that we were specialists who had learned about Jewish affairs through years of practice.

**Idealistic Zionists**

A matter of fact, there was a very strong similarity between our attitudes in the SS and the viewpoint of these immensely idealistic Zionist leaders who were fighting what might be last battle. As I told Kastner, we took our ideals and we too had to sacrifice our own blood before we came to power.

**Gentlemen's Agreement**

THIS is how most of the illegal emigrations were arranged: a group of special Jews was taken into custody and brought together in a place designated by Kastner and his men. We were sent under SS guard to keep them from harm. After the Jewish political organizations arranged transports out of the country, I instructed the border police to let these transports pass unhindered. They travelled generally by night. That was "gentlemen's agreement."

**Dr. Kastner's main concern**

was to make it possible for

a select group of Hungarian Jews to emigrate to Israel. But the Arrow Cross, the Hungarian fascist party, had

grown strong and stubborn.

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Eichmann's son is in the fenced yard of the house which the Eichmanns built themselves on badly drained land near Buenos Aires. Mrs. Eichmann is in the background.

"Life" Photo

Hungary originally intended to save a stud farm which, the SS wanted. He soon wormed his way into dealings with the Jews. In a way Reichsführer-Himmler was Becher's captive: Becher showed me once a gold necklace he was given. He had him furnished with the proper papers and shipped him by plane to Istanbul, because Turkey was still neutral.

I knew at the time that Brand was being held by the British, because Kastner was giving me constant reports. But when I let Brand leave the country, I had made sure his family stayed in Budapest so that I could have a guarantee of his return. Then as the week went by I said to Kastner, "Kastner, you know what I agreed." Brand's family stays here because he cannot return. "Why don't we come back?" And so for the first time I did use family pressure, but I never turned pressure into practice because Dr. Kastner's reports still held out some hope. I never took any steps to keep Brand's family from emigrating illegally. If they had, I would never have known it.

Meanwhile the deportations had to continue in spite of our pending deal. But the Jews were to a certain extent "put on ice," held in a camp ready to be moved at any time. Suppose Brand had come back and told me "Oberschäfzungsleiter," that he is a matter is settled. Five or ten thousand trucks are on their way. Give me half a million or a million Jews. You promised me that if I brought you a positive report, you'd send 100,000 Jews to a neutral country as a deposit." Then it would have been easy for us to ship the Jews off.

If the deal had succeeded, I believe I could have arranged to ship the first 20,000 Jews in two days via Rumania to Palestine or even via France to Spain. If there had been any delay, it would have come from the side of the receivers. The plain fact was that there was no place on earth that would have been ready to accept the Jews, not even this one million.

I would have been a bad SS commander, and I think I was a good SS commander.

By the same token my relationship with Dr. Kastner was strictly correct. He never saw me or my subordinates ever drink a single glass of wine or Schloss, and there certainly never any drunken orgies with Jews. If anything like that had happened, I would have heard of it and I would have punished the offenders.

All my own agreements with the Jewish officials were more or less side-transactions to the exchange of 10,000 winterized trucks with trailers. Becher and I were twice ordered to Himmler in Berlin to discuss it. Whether Himmler settled the actual terms of the exchange or whether he left it to me, I do not remember.

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## YESTERDAY'S PRESS

### BROADCAST BRIDGE

Lumumba (Abdul Haqq) warmly welcomes the new broadcasts, "which fit in with Israel's efforts to build bridges of understanding and cooperation, progressive and harmful effects." The paper is referring to stations on the Oder-Nahe border and on the Soviet Union.)

Agudat (Avigdor Agudat Israel), commenting on the UAR's statement in the Belgian assets in preparation for the expulsion of her ambassador from the Congo, writes: "The most interesting aspect of the paper adds: "It is pleasant to give praise where it is due. Let us hope that many ears will be open to Israel's voice."

Haifa (General Zionist), while welcoming the broadcasts regrets that they did not begin sooner. "It is to be hoped," the paper continues, "that the broadcasts begun yesterday are the first step towards additional and deeper understanding of the peoples of Africa." Going on to discuss the content of the broadcasts, the paper stresses the importance of the Bible as a means of bringing the Africans closer to Israel. And while it is important, the paper adds, "to tell these people about ourselves, it is no less important to hit back at our enemies."

Al Hanan (Mapam), commenting on recent votes cast by the Israeli delegation at the U.N., welcomes what it considers to be a change towards a position independent of the Western line. We have frequently argued that we have not convinced anyone in Israel. The public has the view of the changed that there was no justification for relieving Major-General Lasakov, one of our best soldiers, of his post. If the question cannot be discussed in public, let us do it in the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee of the Knesset."

**WHO IS THE DYBBUK?**

Herut (Herut Movement) says that the negotiations given for the resignation of the outgoing Chief of Staff "have not convinced anyone in Israel. The public has the unshakable impression that there was no justification for relieving Major-General Lasakov, one of our best soldiers, of his post. If the question cannot be discussed in public, let us do it in the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee of the Knesset."



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### Readers' Letters

#### HELP FOR HANUKKA FUND

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir — My copy of the November 18 issue of The Jerusalem Post, announcing your annual Toy Fund drive, arrived here a day before a meeting of the Board of Directors of Brager and Company. I was able therefore, to bring to the attention of our board this meaningful activity of yours.

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Yours etc.,  
**HARRY H. BRAGER**  
President, Brager and Company  
New York, Nov. 30.

**CIVIC SENSE**

Editor, The Jerusalem Post  
Sir — Mr. Ze'evi, the spokesman of the Jerusalem Municipality, has missed my point, deliberately or otherwise. We know that no problem exists if every individual were circumcised. But would for instance, the Municipality allow a house to be occupied before sewage facilities were installed — although I am sure there are plenty of individuals who couldn't care less? The Municipality in this case does not depend on the awareness of its citizens but acts on its own initiative. Similarly, it is up to the Municipality to forbid the occupancy of a house until the rubble has been cleared, a fence and the rudiments of a garden laid out, and a built-in refuse disposal unit constructed. The Municipality should know its public very well. If it depended entirely on the civic-mindedness of its residents, it could close down its engineering and sanitary departments.

No reply was given to my query regarding building density in settling suburbs. Why

### MARGINAL COMMENT

#### 'NON-ARAB' ARABS

By Nissim Rejwan

If just for the sake of argument, we grant that the Arabs can be divided into Arab Arabs and non-Arab Arabs, we are sure to find that the non-Arab Arabs are far more "Arab-conscious" than the Arab Arabs. Some years ago, the owner of a Baghdad bookshop, which we used to frequent — himself of Kurdish origin — offered to make a wager with us: if we succeeded, he said, in proving the Arab descent of any single one of those Iraqi intellectuals who were most vehemently advocating the pan-Arab cause at that time, he would pay us a certain amount of money. Knowing from experience that the man was as careful as anybody could be, we declined the offer, but the point was that we were guilty of "sowing the seeds of discord between the ranks of the same nation" has already been quoted in a previous column, in which an attempt was made also to answer relevant criticisms.

Now, however, the subject seems to be no longer one for national discussion but has been turned into a campaign of personal slander. In its "Open Forum" page on November 3, "Al-Mirad" carried an article by a young Christian from Lydda (who had accepted the offer) entitled "Arabs" and Arab nationalism were one and the same thing.

ACCUSING us of not understanding what he had written, this good Arab submits that we have to distinguish between "two obvious things: the physical and the spiritual constitution of the Arab." He goes on: "The Arab is in fact anyone who was born of an Arab father and mother... When the Arab is born, his nationalism is born with him; if he parts with it he becomes a body without a soul, because nationalism is the soul to the Arab body."

After a few paragraphs of this kind, the writer expresses the hope that his rejoinder will be sufficient to convince us of the validity of his view.

CONVINCED or not convinced, we find this gentleman's article rather typical of the lack of self-confidence among the non-Arab Arabs. Otherwise how can one explain the fact that a totally innocent academic question of the sort we sought to raise should bring in its wake so many accusations and so much bitterness? ("Al-Mirad" article accuses us among other things of "incitement," "spreading hatred between the two peoples of Israel," " resorting to threats" and "rioting.") Tel Aviv, December 5.

numbers of pain a bit by giving me for his licences and promised to my "crime" a stiff fine of IL5.

Yours etc.,

**DR. M. LAAZARUS**

Binayima, Nov. 26.

**PEN FRIENDS**

**ERNST HOLM-JØRGENSEN**

Bregenov 24, Nakskov, Denmark

would like to contact someone aged 20-40 in Israel.

JERZY HERWITZ, 26 years old,

and would like to correspond with someone who speaks and writes English. His address is 100 West 7th Street, Los Angeles 6, California, U.S.A.

Three inspectors from our underfunded police had prepared a 100 per cent foolproof case against me and the judge was also pleased to hear the driver at once gave me his help the Road Safety Com-

mission and the police to settle the damage. He forgot his ticket and I notified the inspector that we had two packed blocks of flats! Our building density drastically and let us have "garden" cities in fact as well as in name!

Yours etc.,  
**AYEH NEWMAN**  
Jerusalem, November 15.

**TOPSY-TURVY**

Editor, The Jerusalem Post  
Sir — Last May a reversing truck damaged the front of my car slightly. The driver at once gave me his help the Road Safety Com-

I have asked the public, through this newspaper, to find a name for me. Nearly two thousand answers reached me from all parts of the country — from the city, the mosav, from kibbutzim and even from abroad, by regular post, air-mail, registered and even express. People of all ages and professions sent their creative suggestions. The name I have chosen for myself is "PLEESON" because it contains the name of the factory which manufactures me, "PLEESON," and it sounded good to me.

Many participants proposed this name and I had to draw lots for the winners. And these are the results:

**FIRST PRIZE** — a "Pleeson" Machine: Yeshayahu Tadmor, 14 Rehov Hahanim, who suggested the name "Pleeson."

**SECOND PRIZE** — Misnomic the new "Pleeson" Fruit Juicer. Mr. M. Ben, 18 Rehov Ze'ev, Haifa, who suggested the name "Kite — Pleeson."

**THIRD PRIZE** — Interchangeable Wall Shelves, made by "Pleeson"; M. Varga, 17 Rehov Michal, Tel Aviv, who suggested the name "Papoose."

And now, something that will interest all of you: I am about to go on the market and no one will have to go out any more to drink a cup of espresso; you and your guests will be able to enjoy delicious cups of quality espresso right in your home.

Yours sincerely,

**PLEESON**,  
The Home Espresso Machine.

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